## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Social Welfare Department – Warangal district – Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden, SW Boys Hostel (A), Cheryal, SW Boys Hostel (B), Cheryal & SW Boys Hostel, Bachannapet now retired as Assistant Social Welfare Officer, Utnoor, Adilabad District – Committed certain serious irregularities in maintenance of SW Hostels during the years 1991-92 to 1993-94 – Disciplinary proceedings concluded – Withholding of 5% pension for a period of (2) years besides recovery of misappropriated amount of `1,16,242/- – Imposed – orders – Issued.

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## Social Welfare (Ser.III.1) Department

G.O. Rt. No. 446

Dated: 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2012 Read the followings:-

- 1. Govt. Memo.No.16590/A3/1997-1, Dated 13.10.1997 SWD, A.P., Hyderabad.
- 2. Proceedings No.VC-II/3024/1995, Dated 20.11.1997 of CSW, Hyderabad.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.46, SW (SC.Ser.1.2) Department, Dated 03.02.1998.
- 4. Commissioner of Social Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, Letter No.Audit.III/8107/1998, Dated 21.02.2000.
- 5. Collector, Warangal Progs.No.B1/621/2000-II(31)(i) Dated 22.07.2000.
- Collector, Warangal, Progs.No.B1/621/2000-II(30), Dated 22.7.2000.
- 7. Collector, Warangal, Progs.No.B1/621/2000-II(6), Dated 22.7.2000.
- 8. Inquiring Authority & RDO, Jangaon, Letter No.A/38/2003, Dated 15.5.2006.
- 9. Collector, Warangal Memo.Rc.No.A1/621/2000, Dated 29.3.2008.
- 10.Explanation Dated 25.4.2008 of Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden (now retired ASWO).
- 11.Govt., Memo.No.8756/SW.Ser.III.1/2009-3, Dt 22.11.2010.
- 12.Explanation Dated 25.4.2008 of Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex Warden (now retired ASWO).
- 13. Secretary, APPSC Lr. No. 635/RT/2012, Dated 12.4.2012.

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# **ORDER:**-

On receipt of credible information on certain serious financial irregularities were committed by the Wardens / Matrons of Social Welfare Hostels in Warangal District in maintenance of Hostels / Institutions during the year 1993-94, the Joint Director (Vigilance), O/o the Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad, conducted preliminary enquiry into the irregularities committed by the Wardens /Matrons and submitted the report.

2. Definite charges were framed against (32) Wardens / Matrons including Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden, SW Boys Hostel (A), Cheryal, SW Boys Hostel (B), Cheryal & SW Boys Hostel, Bachannapet now retired as Assistant Social Welfare Officer, Utnoor, Adilabad District, based on the report of Joint Director (Vigilance). After receipt of the explanations from the Charged Officers, the Assistant Director (Legal Cell), O/o the Commissioner of Social Welfare, Hyderabad, was appointed as Common Inquiry Officer under Rule 24 (1) of APCS

- (CC&A) Rules vide Commissioner of Social Welfare Procgs.No.M1/21006/94, dated 04.06.1995, to conduct detailed inquiry. The Assistant Director (Legal Cell) has conducted the inquiry and submitted his report on 30.12.1995.
- 3. The District Collector, Warangal, who is the disciplinary authority in respect of Wardens / Matrons, after receipt of the inquiry report, has passed final orders imposing the penalties against the Wardens/Matrons duly following the procedure contemplated in APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.
- 4. Government, in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, observed that without conducting special audit and without assessing the actual misappropriation of amounts in the case of Social Welfare Hostels, the penalties already imposed based on the enquiry report by the District Collector/Commissioner of Social Welfare, does not seem to be in order and in the result it may whittle down the CBCID case in process. The Government, has therefore, accorded permission to the Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad, to reopen the cases of misappropriation of Government funds in Social Welfare Hostels in Warangal District, and to take up fresh inquiry under Rule 41 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.
- 5. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad, has issued orders for reopening the disciplinary cases against (31) Warden/ Matrons under Rule 41 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.
- 6. Government vide G.O 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, issued orders for conducting of Special Audit on the misappropriation of Government funds and financial irregularities in Government Welfare Hostels/Other Institutions of Warangal District, for a period of three years from 1991-92 to 1993-94. The Special Audit Party conducted the audit of all the Government Social Welfare Hostels/Other Institutions in the District for the periods from 1991-92 to 1993-94 and submitted its reports to the Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.
- 7. In the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, the Commissioner of Social Welfare, has communicated the Special Audit Reports to the District Collector, Warangal for taking further action in the matter.
- 8. In the references 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> read above, Articles of Charges were framed against Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden, SW Boys Hostel (A), Cheryal, SW Boys Hostel (B), Cheryal & SW Boys Hostel, Bachannapet now retired as ASWO, Utnoor, Adilabad District, for committing certain financial irregularities in maintenance of the Hostels, during the years 1991-92 to 1993-94.
- 9. In the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above, the Inquiring Authority & the Revenue Divisional Officer, Jangaon has submitted the inquiry report holding the AOCs framed against the Charged Officer, as not proved.
- 10. In the reference  $9^{th}$  read above, while communicating the disagreement note of the disciplinary authority on the findings of the Inquiring Authority, the Charged Officer was directed to submit explanation, if any as to why disciplinary action should not be taken against him.
- 11. Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden, SW Boys Hostel (A), Cheryal, SW Boys Hostel (B), Cheryal & SW Boys Hostel, Bachannapet has submitted his explanation in the reference 10<sup>th</sup> read above,

requesting to reconsider the findings of the Inquiring Authority and to drop further action..

- 12. Having not convinced with the explanation and holding the charges as proved, Government in the reference  $11^{th}$  read above issued notice to the delinquent officer directing him to show cause as to why a 5% cut in pension for a period of (2) years besides recovery of misappropriated amount of `1,16,242/- should not be imposed against him for the irregularities committed by him. The said show cause notice together with Inquiry Report and disagreement note was served on the delinquent officer on 13.1.2011 and the D.O has offered his further explanation vide reference  $12^{th}$  read above.
- 13. The matter was referred to the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission for its advice. The APPSC in the reference 13<sup>th</sup> read above has agreed with the above said proposed penalty.
- 14. After careful examination of the charges framed, Written Statements of Defence, report of the Inquiring Authority, disagreement note of the disciplinary authority and the explanations of the Delinquent officer, in detail, Government have decided to withhold 5% pension for a period of (2) years, besides recovery of misappropriated amount of `1,16,242/- .
- 15. Accordingly, Government hereby ordered to withhold 5% (Five percent) pension for a period of (2) two years, besides recovery of misappropriated amount of `1,16,242/- (Rupees one lakh sixteen thousand two hundred and forty two only), against Sri Ch.Narayana Reddy, Ex-Warden, SW Boys Hostel (A), Cheryal, SW Boys Hostel (B), Cheryal & SW Boys Hostel, Bachannapet now retired as Assistant Social Welfare Officer, Utnoor, Adilabad District for the irregularities committed in maintenance of the said SW Hostels during the years 1991-92 to 1993-94.
- 16. The District Collector, Warangal shall acknowledge the original record enclosed herewith and shall take necessary further action accordingly under intimation to Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

# J. RAYMOND PETER PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri. Ch.Narayana Reddy, Assistant Social Welfare Officer (Retired), Social Welfare Department, Warangal District.

The District Collector, Warangal District (SW) (3 copies)

(With a request to serve the order on the individual and return the served copy)

The District Collector, Adilabad

The Principal Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Deputy Accountant General (Pension), O/o AG, A.P., Hyderabad.

The District Treasury Officer, Warangal District.

The District Treasury Officer, Adilabad District.

#### Copy to:-

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, Vigilance Commission, APVC, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad. SF/SC

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//